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Filed : Nov. 27, 2001
Title : Picking Rake
Grp./A.U. : 3671
Examiner : Arpad F. Kovaks

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To Accompany REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION

Sir:

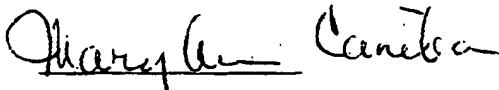
The applicant is submitting the following in compliance with the RCE on the above referenced patent application:

1. Request For Continued Examination (RCE) Transmittal
2. Small entity fee of \$375
3. Claim Amendment - enclosed
4. Specification Amendment - enclosed

5. Remarks/Arguments - enclosed
6. Corrected Drawings - enclosed but filed as a separate paper with a transmittal letter addressed to the Drawing Review Branch

A previous title amendment was requested in the response to the First Office Action sent April 30, 2003. Subsequent communication between the Examiner and the applicant did not indicate whether the change was entered or not. The applicant requests that such title amendment not be entered if it has not yet been done and if already entered, please consider this a request to reverse the amendment to the original Picking Rake title, subject to the approval of the Examiner.

Sincerely yours,



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NOTICE OF DRAFTSPERSON'S
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The drawing(s) filed (insert date) 11/27/03 are:

A. ☐ approved by the Draftsperson under 37 CFR 1.84 or 1.152.

B. ☒ objected to by the Draftsperson under 37 CFR 1.84 or 1.152 for the reasons indicated below. The Examiner will require submission of new, corrected drawings when necessary. Corrected drawing must be submitted according to the instructions on the back of this notice.

1. DRAWINGS. 37 CFR 1.84(a): Acceptable categories of drawings:
Black ink. Color.

Color drawings are not acceptable until petition is granted.

Fig(s) _____

Pencil and non black ink not permitted. Fig(s) _____

2. PHOTOGRAPHS. 37 CFR 1.84(b)

1 full-tone set is required. Fig(s) _____

Photographs may not be mounted. 37 CFR 1.84(c)

Poor quality (half-tone). Fig(s) _____

3. TYPE OF PAPER. 37 CFR 1.84(c)

Paper not flexible, strong, white, and durable.

Fig(s) _____

☒ Erasures, alterations, overwritings, interlineations, folds, copy machine marks not accepted. Fig(s) L72D

Mylar, velum paper is not acceptable (too thin).

Fig(s) _____

4. SIZE OF PAPER. 37 CFR 1.84(f): Acceptable sizes:

21.0 cm by 29.7 cm (DIN size A4)

21.6 cm by 27.9 cm (8 1/2 x 11 inches)

All drawing sheets not the same size.

Sheet(s) _____

Drawings sheets not an acceptable size. Fig(s) _____

5. MARGINS. 37 CFR 1.84(g): Acceptable margins:

Top 2.5 cm Left 2.5 cm Right 1.5 cm Bottom 1.0 cm

SIZE: A4 Size

Top 2.5 cm Left 2.5 cm Right 1.5 cm Bottom 1.0 cm

SIZE: 8 1/2 x 11

Margins not acceptable. Fig(s) _____

Top (T) _____ Left (L) _____

Right (R) _____ Bottom (B) _____

6. VIEWS. 37 CFR 1.84(h)

REMINDER: Specification may require revision to correspond to drawing changes.

Partial views. 37 CFR 1.84(h)(2)

Brackets needed to show figure as one entity.

Fig(s) _____

Views not labeled separately or properly.

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8. ARRANGEMENT OF VIEWS. 37 CFR 1.84(i)

Words do not appear on a horizontal, left-to-right fashion when page is either upright or turned so that the top becomes the right side, except for graphs. Fig(s) _____

9. SCALE. 37 CFR 1.84(k)

Scale not large enough to show mechanism without crowding when drawing is reduced in size to two-thirds in reproduction.

Fig(s) _____

10. CHARACTER OF LINES, NUMBERS, & LETTERS.

37 CFR 1.84(i)

☒ Lines, numbers & letters not uniformly thick and well defined, clean, durable, and black (poor line quality).

Fig(s) L72D

11. SHADING. 37 CFR 1.84(m)

Solid black areas pale. Fig(s) _____

Solid black shading not permitted. Fig(s) _____

Shade lines, pale, rough and blurred. Fig(s) _____

12. NUMBERS, LETTERS, & REFERENCE CHARACTERS.

37 CFR 1.84(p)

Numbers and reference characters not plain and legible.

Fig(s) _____

Figure legends are poor. Fig(s) _____

Numbers and reference characters not oriented in the same direction as the view. 37 CFR 1.84(p)(1)

Fig(s) _____

English alphabet not used. 37 CFR 1.84(p)(2)

Figs _____

Numbers, letters and reference characters must be at least .32 cm (1/8 inch) in height. 37 CFR 1.84(p)(3)

Fig(s) _____

13. LEAD LINES. 37 CFR 1.84(q)

Lead lines cross each other. Fig(s) _____

Lead lines missing. Fig(s) _____

14. NUMBERING OF SHEETS OF DRAWINGS. 37 CFR 1.84(i)

Sheets not numbered consecutively, and in Arabic numerals beginning with number 1. Sheet(s) _____

15. NUMBERING OF VIEWS. 37 CFR 1.84(u)

Views not numbered consecutively, and in Arabic numerals, beginning with number 1. Fig(s) _____

16. CORRECTIONS. 37 CFR 1.84(w)

Corrections not made from prior PTO-948 dated _____

17. DESIGN DRAWINGS. 37 CFR 1.152

Color shading shown not appropriate. Fig(s) _____

Color not used for color contrast.

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Sir:

Enclosed are 73 sheets of formal drawings relating to the above application. These are submitted in compliance with the Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (see copy attached) sent with a Notice of Allowance.

A Notice of Allowance was sent to the applicant with a deadline of Oct. 31, 2003 for payment of the issue fee.

The applicant is filing a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) together with this submission.

Respectfully yours,

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